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(SBU) Aside from an expression of sympathy and condolence from President Ben Ali (ref C), there has been no reporting in the Tunisian media of material assistance from the GOT to the international relief efforts in Haiti. Mourad Belhassan, Deputy Director of the Americas Desk at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, told us on January 20 that he was unaware of any GOT plans to offer assistance to Haiti, although he did not rule out the possibility.

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